

Board of Education Meeting
CAZENOVIA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
CAZENOVIA, NY 13035-1098

High School Auditorium
April 14, 2014
6:30 PM

Regular Board Meeting

Board Members Present: Pat Vogl, Cindy Bell Tobey, Leigh Baldwin, Jan Woodworth, Lisa Lounsbury, Karin Marris and Kathy Hahn

Board Members Absent:

Administrators Present: Robert Dubik, William Furlong

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Pat Vogl at 6:33. He asked all for a moment of silence and then to stand for the pledge of allegiance.

Public Comments: None

Written Communications: Bob Dubik reported that we received 2 petitions for Consumer Science and Home and Careers in support of the program.

Educational Highlights: None

Information and Reports:

- Reports from Board Members - Facilities Committee met and discussed the west entrance parking lot and the waterline replacement update. It is going well. The Personnel Committee discussed the impact of the budget and the teachers contracts.

- Reports from Administrators

- **Robert Dubik** - gave a run down on the lock-down. He said they notified people by the web site and e-mails and phone calls were made by 9:15. During the process the chief of police brought a canine unit to the school. The investigation ended at around 1:00. After everything was concluded, another message was sent at 1:30. Bob said that he needs to work on the phone system so that when he sends out an e-mail or phone call it needs to go to all numbers including cell, home and e-mails. Burton Street was not affected. Most parents comments have been positive.

Bob reported that last year we had a handful of parents opt out of the state testing. This year we have had a number of students opting out. We have 18 at the Middle School, 13 at Burton Street and 7 at the high school. According to the state at least 95% must take the test over a two year period. We made that

state average so we will not be on the list of schools who need help. The only one who can opt children out of the testing are the parents. The guidelines are clear that anyone not taking the test must face front, cannot read or do anything. Math testing is coming up after the break.

Academic Decathlon will be leaving for Hawaii during break and we wish them good luck. We have had two special ed issues. One has been settled and we are still waiting for the arbitrator on the second.

At next week's meeting, Rob Axelson will give us a report on how the new course, "How Things are Made" did this year.

The water pipe is in place and they put the sidewalk back. He gave a reminder that Easter break begins Friday.

Dave Falge sent a letter concerning lacrosse helmets he would like to donate to Cazenovia Lacrosse. This will be a discussion item for the future.

Budget Presentation: Bob introduced the presentation explaining that the budget process, declining enrollment and state aid cuts. All of these things play into the budget. Bill Furlong then gave the budget presentation which was similar to the past few meetings. This presentation included all of the items that will be voted on later in the meeting.

Consent Agenda:

- Routine Matters
 1. Minutes of March 7, 2014 and March 24, 2014
 2. Financial Report for March
 3. Special Education Reports
 4. Text Book Approval

Whereas Eileen VanAntwerp, third grade teacher, has asked that the books "Buckle Down to the Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts" and "Buckle Down to the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics" be approved for use in the third grade curriculum and Mary Ann MacIntosh has reviewed and approved these books, be it

Resolved that the board approve the books, "Buckle Down to the Common Core State Standards in English Language Arts" and "Buckle Down to the Common Core State Standards in Mathematics"

5. Textbook Approval

Whereas, Amanda Denton, Elementary Reading Teacher, has asked for approval for the book "i-ready New York CCLS Instruction" for use in the 3rd grade English Language Arts Program and Mary Ann MacIntosh, principal at Burton Street Elementary, has reviewed and approved this book, be it

Resolved that the Board approve the book, "i-ready New York CCLS Instruction".

6. Textbook Approval

Whereas Pamela Franco, 4th grade teacher, has asked for approval for two books for 4th grade “Ready NY CCLS (Common Core Learning Standards) for use in ELA and “Measuring Up Common Core Workbook, 1st edition for Math and Mary Ann MacIntosh, principal of Burton Street Elementary, has reviewed and approved these books, be it

Resolved that the books “Ready NY CCLS (Common Core Learning Standards)”and “Measuring Up Common Core Workbook” be approved.

7. Textbook Approval

Whereas, Priscilla Lenning, Elementary reading teacher, has asked for approval for the Reader’s Notebook for use in the 4th grade to extend writing and communication skills and Mary Ann MacIntosh, Burton Street Elementary Principal, has reviewed and approved these notebooks, be it

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the writing notebooks.

8. Textbook Approval

Whereas Mary Eschen, 4th grade teacher, has asked for approval of the “Common Core ELA State Standards” book, from Perfection Learning, for use in the 4th grade ELA curriculum and Mary Ann MacIntosh has reviewed and approved this book, be it

Resolved that the Board of Education approve the book “Common Core ELA State Standards” for use in the 4th grade.

9. Overnight Field Trip Approval

Mandi Millen, High School Agriculture Teacher, has asked for permission for an overnight field trip to the State FFA Convention in Medina Central School for 34 students to attend the NYS FFA Convention, on May 8 - 10, 2014. Eric Schnabl, High School Principal, approves and recommends this trip.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education approve the overnight trip to the State FFA Convention in Albion, NY.

10. Overnight Field Trip Approval

Whereas the Academic Decathlon Team has won the state competition and will represent New York State in the National Competition, and Ben Wightman, Academic Decathlon Advisor and Eric Schnabl, High School Principal, have requested the approval of the overnight field trip to fly to Honolulu, Hawaii from April 23 - April 28, 2014, be it

Resolved that the Board of Education approves the requested field trip for the Academic Decathlon.

A motion was made by Karin Marris and seconded by Jan Woodworth to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried 7-0.

New Business

A. Approval of Proposed 2014-15 School Budget

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby adopt a proposed 2014-15 School Budget in the amount of \$26,495,954, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following resolutions shall also appear on the ballot:

Shall the Board of Education purchase and, at the option of the Board, finance three (3) 66 passenger school buses at an estimated cost not to exceed \$308,478, including necessary furnishings, fixtures and equipment and all other necessary costs incidental thereto and to expend a total sum not to exceed \$308,478, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and levy a tax which is hereby voted for the foregoing in the amount of \$308,478, which shall be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board of Education and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, bonds, notes or installment purchase contracts are hereby authorized to be issued or executed at one time, or from time to time, in the principal amount not to exceed \$308,478, and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said obligations when due.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following resolution shall also appear on the ballot:

1. Public Libraries Proposition for a total of \$538,356
Cazenovia Public Library - \$379,582
New Woodstock Free Library - \$158,774

A motion was made by Karin Marris and seconded by Kathy Hahn to approve the proposed budget. The motion carried 7-0

B. Approval of Election Officials

BE IT RESOLVED that Mr. William Furlong be appointed as Chairperson of the Annual Meeting (Vote) to be held May 20, 2014, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that Mrs. Patricia Marzeski be appointed Chief Election Inspector, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following be appointed Election Inspectors/Poll Clerks: Rosalea Wilbur, Raquel Huckans, Helen Fieser, Mary Ann Lansing, Dorothy Lewis, Patsy Hagan, Carol Booth, Ellen Romagnoli, Dorothy Reeves, Mary Ellen Holmes, Ethel Puzey, Sara Mitchell, Mary Friend, Cindy Hirt, Beverly Thorp and Joyce McMaster, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the following be appointed Alternate Election Inspectors/Assistant Poll Clerks: Cindy Bartlett, Donna Kiselica, Sheryl Conley, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk is authorized to appoint additional Election Inspectors/Assistant Poll Clerks as necessary.

A motion was made by Jan Woodworth and seconded by Leigh Baldwin to approve the election officials. The motion carried 7-0.

C. Designation of Public Hearing

BE IT RESOLVED that the Cazenovia Central School District Board of Education conduct a Public Hearing on the 2014-2015 Proposed Budget on May 13, 2014 at 6:30 pm in the High School Auditorium, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Annual Vote be conducted on May 20, 2014 from 7:00 am to 9:00 pm in the Middle/High School Auxiliary Gym for the purpose of voting on the annual budget, election of new board members, the purchase of three regular buses, the appropriation of funds for the Cazenovia Public and New Woodstock Free Libraries and any other matters that may legally be voted upon, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish the appropriate legal notices.

A motion was made by Kathy Hahn and seconded by Jan Woodworth to approve the designation of the public hearing. The motion carried 7-0.

D. Out of District Tuition Students

Whereas the Board of Education now allows tuition students from other school districts, and

Whereas the tuition increases the same amount as the budget,

Resolve that the new amounts for tuition for the 2014-15 school year is \$3210 for K- 6 and \$4213 for 7th - 12th.

A motion was made by Karin Marris and seconded by Cindy Bell Tobey to approve the out of district tuition. The amounts on the agenda were not correct. The amount being approved by the motion is \$3210 for K-6 and \$4213 for 7th - 12th . The motion carried 7-0.

Personnel Report: A motion was made by Jan Woodworth and seconded by Kathy Hahn to approve the Personnel Report. After a brief discussion the motion carried with 6-0 and Karin Marris abstaining.

Discussion Items: A discussion ensued concerning a donation of Lacrosse helmets to the Varsity Lacrosse players. Right now they use their own helmets. David Falge wants to donate helmets for Lacrosse. The district would take possession of the donated helmets. This gift would have a monetary value of \$9500. He would donate 32 helmets. Some discussion followed concerning other sports and

equity issues if we were buying them. This would give our Lacrosse team a consistent uniform look and we would mandate our helmets be used.

A motion was made by Leigh Baldwin and seconded by Kathy Hahn to accept a gift of 32 helmets for a value of \$9568 with a great big thank you. The motion carried 7-0.

Second Session Public Communication: None

Advanced Planning :

- A. Items for Future Agendas - Put drawing of west parking lot entrance up on web site
- B. Future Meeting Dates - May 13 Budget Hearing, May 20 Budget Vote and Annual Meeting

Other Board Concerns: Policy Manual - Check with School Boards on service

Executive Session: A motion was made by Kathy Hahn and seconded by Cindy Bell Tobey to move into Executive Session to discuss teacher negotiations. The motion carried 7-0. The board moved into Executive at 8:12.

Return to Public Session and Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at